

April 12, 2001

TO THE MISSISSIPPI STATE SENATE:

I am directed by the Governor to advise you that he has approved the following Senate Bills:

S.B. NO. 2312: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 43-1-28, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CLARIFY THE DATES REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT THE ON-LINE ELECTRONIC BENEFIT TRANSFER (EBT) SYSTEM FOR FOOD STAMPS AND TO REVISE THE CRITERIA FOR AN EBT SYSTEM PILOT PROJECT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (March 11, 2001; 3:00 PM)

S.B. NO. 2411: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 47-5-353, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO ADD A DEFINITION OF AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (March 11, 2001; 3:00 PM)

S.B. NO. 2501: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 41-21-201, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO TEST FOR CONGENITAL ADRENAL HYPERPLASIA (CAH) AS PART OF ITS NEWBORN SCREENING PROGRAM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (March 11, 2001; 3:01 PM)

S.B. NO. 2662: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 41-87-5, 41-87-7, 41-87-9, 41-87-11, 41-87-13 AND 41-87-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CORRECT CERTAIN REFERENCES TO THE FEDERAL INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT (IDEA) IN MISSISSIPPI'S EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM FOR INFANTS AND TODDLERS, AND CLARIFY CERTAIN DEFINITIONS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (March 12, 2001; 7:45 AM)

S.B. NO. 2796: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 73-31-1 THROUGH 73-31-29, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO EXTEND THE AUTOMATIC REPEALER ON THOSE STATUTES WHICH ESTABLISH AND EMPOWER THE MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY; TO AMEND SECTION 73-31-9, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO INCREASE THE FEE FOR RENEWAL OF A LICENSE; TO AMEND SECTIONS 73-31-13, 73-31-14 AND 73-31-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CLARIFY QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPLICANTS AND TO AUTHORIZE A FEE FOR EVALUATING CREDENTIALS; TO AMEND SECTION 73-31-27, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO DELETE CERTAIN PROHIBITIONS RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF PSYCHOLOGY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (March 12, 2001; 4:57 PM)

S.B. NO. 2959: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 33-15-307, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF THE DISASTER ASSISTANCE TRUST FUND FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE UNDER A STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARED BY THE GOVERNOR; TO AMEND SECTION 33-15-313, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT A STATE OR LOCAL AGENCY SHALL MAKE APPLICATION FOR STATE AND/OR FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY BY THE GOVERNOR; TO AMEND SECTION 33-15-317, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM LIMIT ON THE ADVANCE OF FUNDS WHICH A STATE OR LOCAL AGENCY MAY RECEIVE TO INITIATE A PROJECT UNDER A STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARED BY THE GOVERNOR; TO AMEND SECTION 43-41-13, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT IN THE EVENT OF A GOVERNOR'S STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION, THE STATE GRANTS AWARDED TO INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES UNDER THE STATE'S NATURAL DISASTER PLAN SHALL BE EQUAL TO AN AMOUNT ESTABLISHED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE MISSISSIPPI EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (March 11, 2001; 3:01 PM)

S.B. NO. 3158: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 41-7-191, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO EXTEND THE AUTOMATIC REPEALER ON THE EXEMPTION FROM THE HEALTH CARE CERTIFICATE OF NEED REQUIREMENT FOR CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT HOME FACILITIES MEETING CERTAIN CRITERIA; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (March 11, 2001; 3:02 PM)

S.B. NO. 3176: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 45-35-3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE AGE OF ELIGIBILITY FOR ISSUANCE OF A NONDRIVER'S IDENTIFICATION CARD; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (March 11, 2001; 3:03 PM)

S.B. NO. 3179: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-7-13, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT THE FEE CHARGED BY CIRCUIT CLERKS FOR ALL SERVICES PERFORMED WITH RESPECT TO EACH COMPLAINT, PETITION OR INDICTMENT SHALL ACCRUE TO THE CLERK AT THE TIME OF COLLECTION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (March 11, 2001; 3:04 PM)

S.B. NO. 3182: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-9-153, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT AN EMPLOYEE OF ANY STATE AGENCY, DEPARTMENT, BOARD, COMMISSION, INSTITUTION OR OTHER INSTRUMENTALITY OF THE STATE MAY OPERATE A STATE-OWNED MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE EMPLOYEE HAS A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE FROM A CONTIGUOUS STATE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (March 11, 2001; 3:05 PM)

S.B. NO. 3183: AN ACT TO CODIFY SECTION 37-11-54, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO DIRECT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP CONFLICT RESOLUTION AND PEER MEDIATION MODELS AND CURRICULA IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (March 12, 2001; 7:45 AM)

S.B. NO. 3189: AN ACT TO CREATE SECTION 51-4-23.1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO DESIGNATE A CERTAIN PORTION OF THE TANGIPAOA RIVER AS A STATE SCENIC STREAM AND TO INCLUDE THAT PORTION IN THE STATE SCENIC STREAMS

STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (March 11,
2001; 3:05 PM)

Respectfully submitted,

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